catharsis

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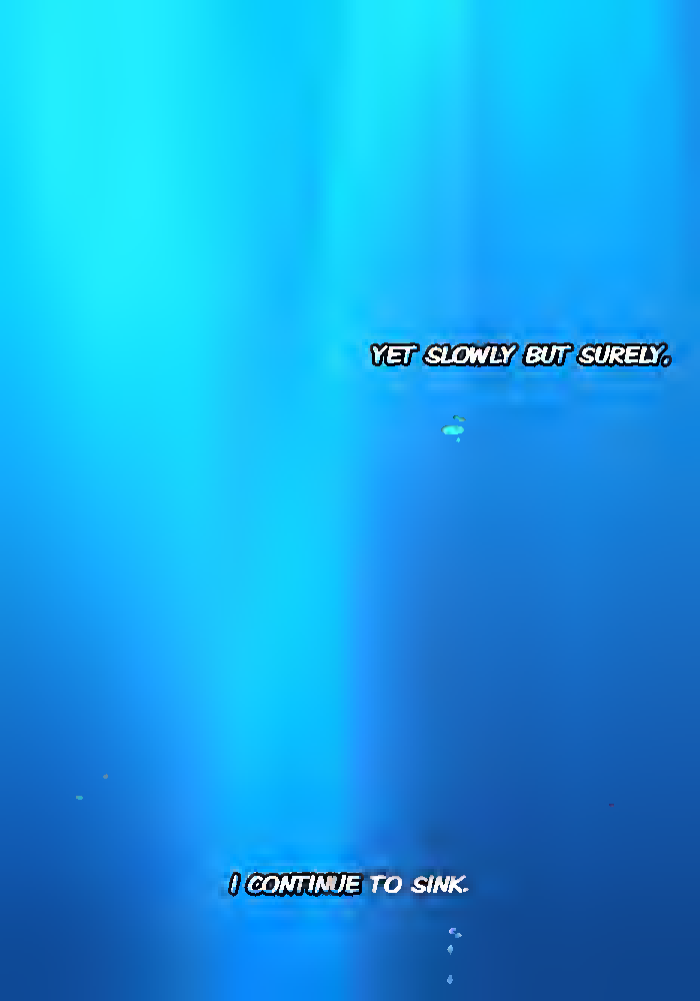
THIS NIGHTMARE HAS BEEN HAUNTING ME.

HOW LONG WILL THIS CONTINUE?

WILL I BE ABLE TO STOP IT?

IS THIS WHY I'M HERE TO RELIVE IT AGAIN?
I FEEL WEIGHTLESS IN THESE VAST WATERS.


YET SLOWLY BUT SURELY.
I CONTINUE TO SINK.

HOW LONG HAVE I BEEN FALLING?

MY SENSE OF TIME IS SKEWED.

MY STATE OF URGENCY HAS DULLED.

DON'T THE OTHERS NEED ME?

DAZE--
I STARE AT THE LIGHT OF THE SURFACE AS I WAIT.

I CAN ONLY IMAGINE HOW MUCH WARMER IT MUST BE BACK UP THERE.

I'D LIKE TO SEE FOR MYSELF IF THAT WERE TRUE.

BUT I'M ONLY GETTING FARTHER AND FARTHER AWAY.

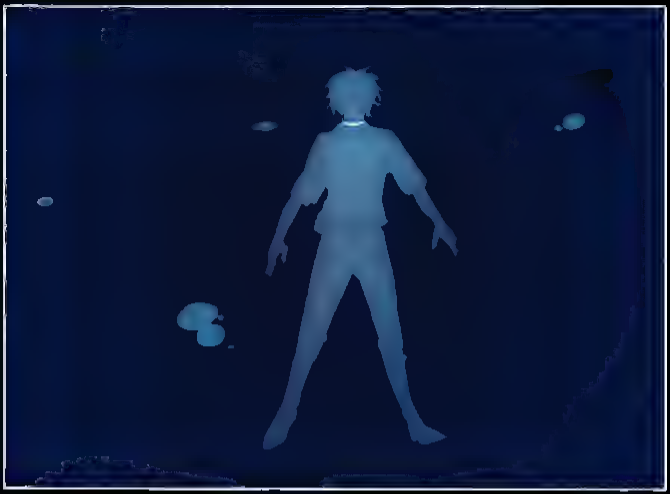
I CAN'T MOVE.

NO.

I REFUSE TO MOVE.

WELL, IT'S NOT LIKE I CAN SWIM ANYWAY.

BUT I WONDER WHY I CAN'T SEEM TO TAKE MY EYES OFF OF THE LIGHT.



I FEEL LIKE THE MOMENT I DO,
I'LL LOSE TRACK OF IT FOREVER.

IT'S LIKE IT'S TAKING EVERYTHING

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...WHY

WHY AM I HERE AGAIN?

BLINK
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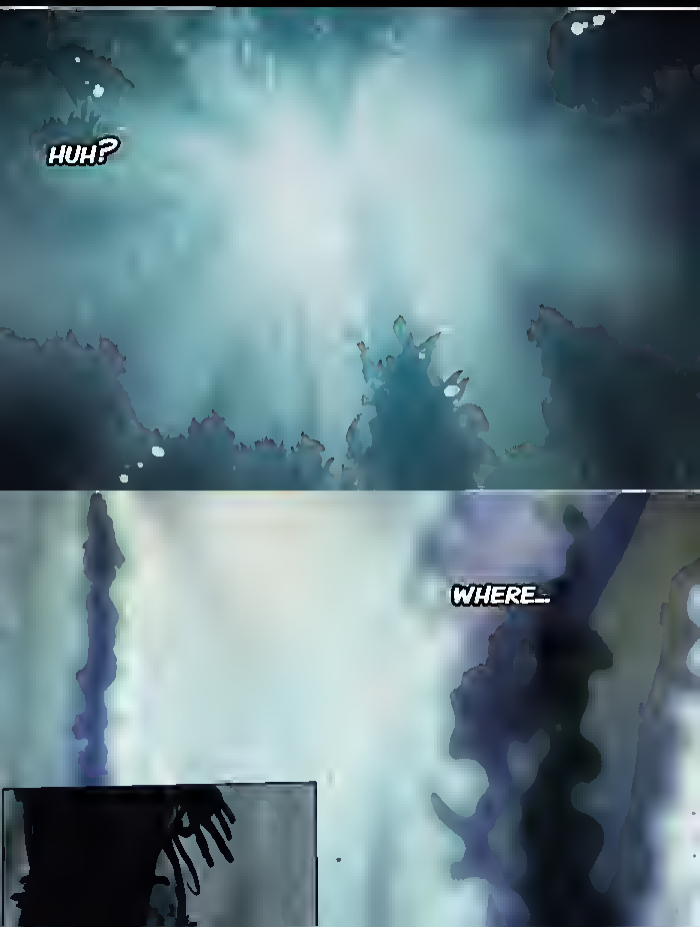
HUH?
WHERE...

SWISH

WHERE AM I?
WHEN DID I--

BRUSH--
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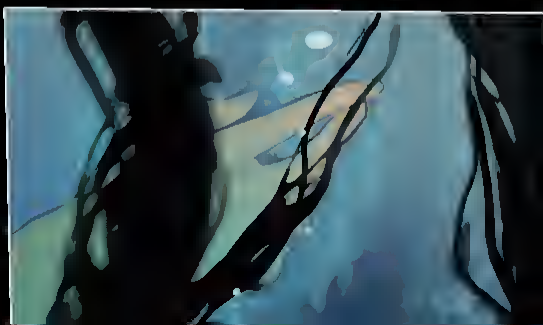
UGH... DISGUSTING.

THE SLIMY TEXTURE IS NASTY.



WAIT.

IS THIS...

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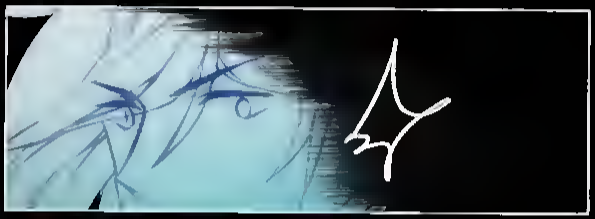

DID SOMETHING JUST--

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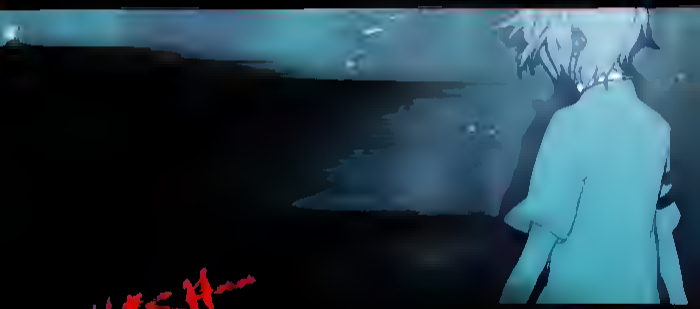

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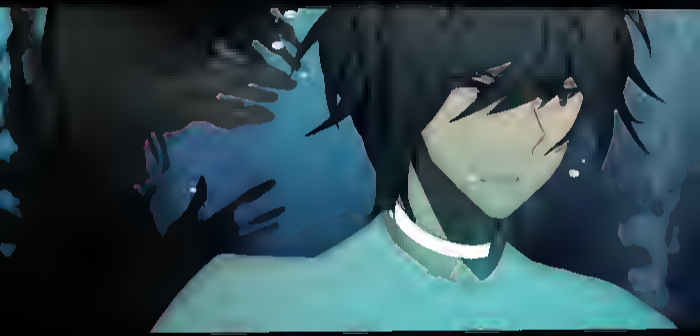
AGAIN! FROM THE CORNER OF MY EYE--



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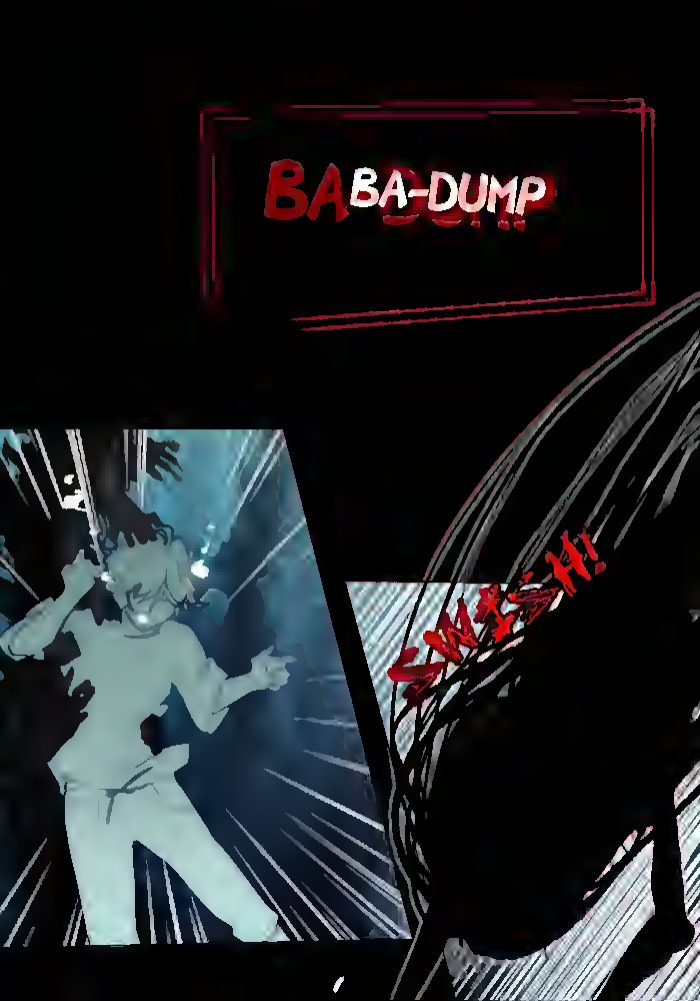
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SWISH!

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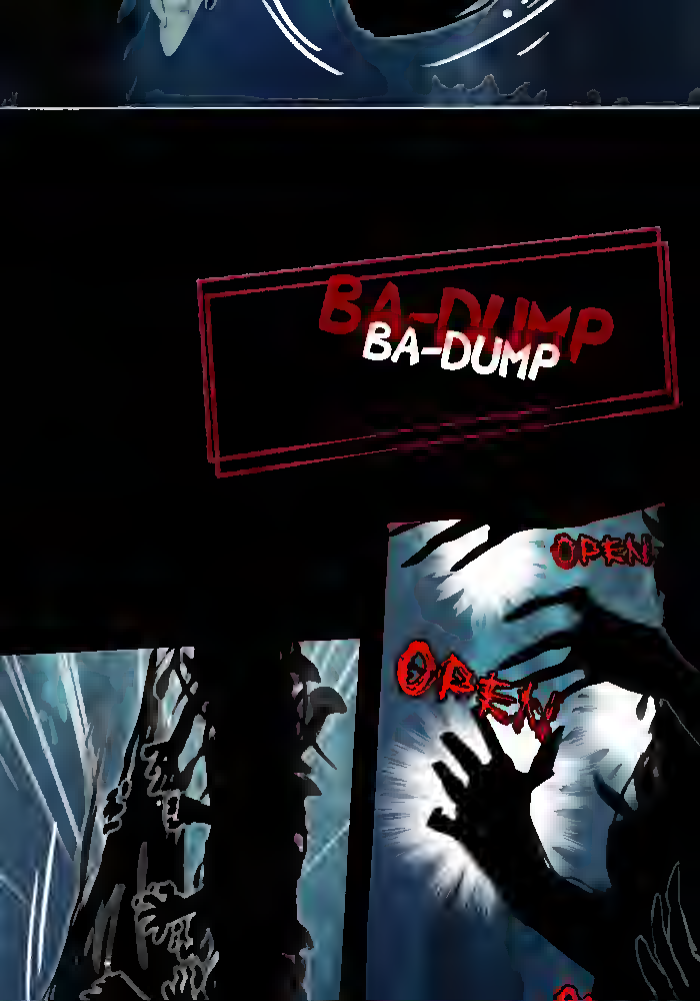
GRAB!!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OPEN
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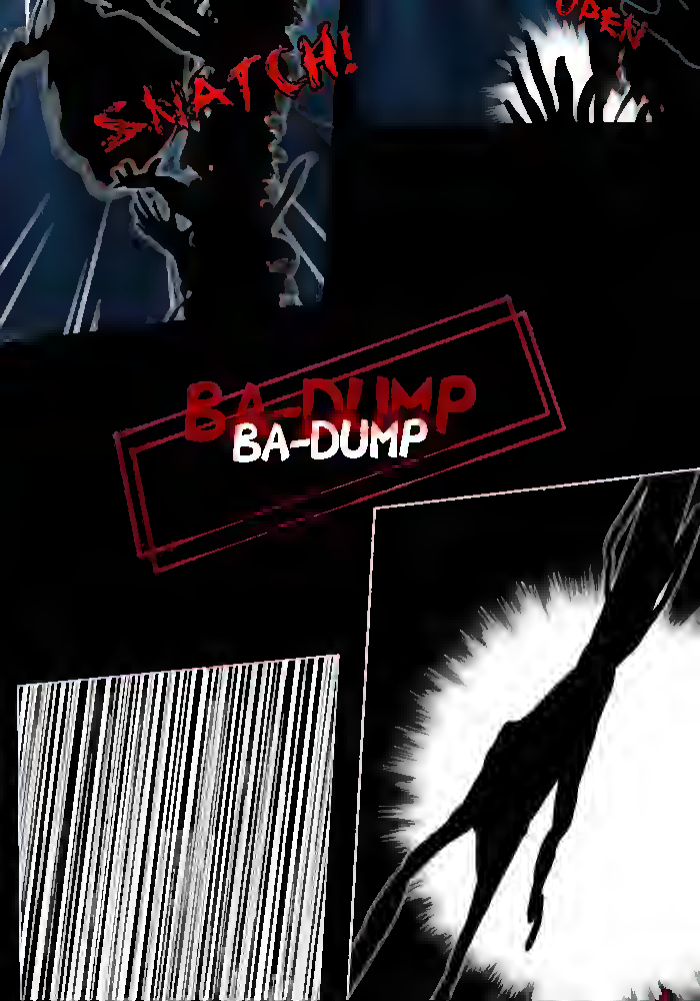
SNATCH!
OPEN
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RELEASE!